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respect to the highest category, the general certified appraisers, who can essentially deal in any type of federal or nonfederal transactions, in order to qualify for that category, the number of class hours of education necessary is increased from 165 to 180, and the number of hours of experience is increased from 2,000 to 3,000 with a slightly longer time frame in which to do that, and within that category, the specific number of nonresidential hours of experience is set forth. A little bit complicated but logical and, again, except for a couple of minor provisions all required by the federal government.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President. A question of Senator Beutler, if he would respond.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Beutler, one of the complaints that I have received, not necessarily from appraisers, but from other professionals in the state of Nebraska who are required to do continuing education, is the time and the expense that it takes to go to a central location. Not having read the bill, I would ask you the question, is there a provision within this bill that would allow all or part of a continuing education to be achieved through electronic format?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I don't know of anything in the bill or the law that would preclude that, but I will look at that for you and get back to you specifically. You would...

SENATOR COORDSEN: But I...

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...you would like to be sure that that's possible.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...only an additional comment is that I went to one of the boards and they refused to make that available to their particular group of people that they were providing the continuing education for, which seems to me for those that are some distance away in a business where they may be the sole